

High Office,
November 2nd, 1917.

Dear Lord R

to you, on
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which has been by, the Cabinet

His Majesty in favour the
establishment of a national home for the
Jewish people. In the best endeavours to
facilitate the subject, it being
clearly understood that to be done which
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33rd ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE
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A CENTURY AFTER BALFOUR: VISION AND REALITY

June 12-14, 2017 | Brandeis University

Foreign Office,

November 2nd, 1917.

Dear Lord Rothschild,

I have much pleasure in conveying to you, on behalf of His Majesty's Government, the following declaration of sympathy with Jewish Zionist aspirations which has been submitted to, and approved by, the Cabinet

"His Majesty's Government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavours to facilitate the achievement of this object, it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine, or the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country"

I should be grateful if you would bring this declaration to the knowledge of the Zionist Federation.

Y. in
Arthur Balfour

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PANEL 4	MA4 OLIN-SANG 104 Perceptions Within the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict	MB4 HELLER 163 Hope, Expectation, and Disillusion in the Making of Hebrew and Israeli Culture	MC4 MANDEL G12 Actually Existing Zionism: Is the State of Israel Not Lord Balfour's "National Home for the Jewish People," After All?
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AWARDS CEREMONY	Usdan Student Center Levin Ballroom	4:45 - 5:30 PM
KEYNOTE ADDRESS: REFLECTIONS ON THE BALFOUR DECLARATION	Usdan Student Center Levin Ballroom	5:30 - 6:15 PM
BANQUET	Hassenfeld Conference Center Sherman Hall	6:30 - 8:00 PM

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PANEL 9	TA9 MANDEL G11 Educating Israelis		TC9 MANDEL G10 Gender and Israeli Society	

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TUESDAY EVENTS	LOCATION	TIME
SCHOLARS FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST (SPME) WINE AND CHEESE RECEPTION	Usdan Student Center Courtyard	5:30 - 6:30 PM
FILM SCREENING: BEN-GURION, EPILOGUE	Shapiro Campus Center Theater	8:00 - 9:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14TH	9:00-10:30 AM SESSION A	10:45 AM-12:15 PM SESSION B	12:45-2:00 PM SESSION C	2:15-3:45 PM SESSION D
PANEL 1	WA1 OLIN-SANG 124 Israeli Culture	WB1 OLIN-SANG 124 Two Decades Plus Since "Foreigners Deserve Rights?": What Rights Do They Deserve and What are Common Themes Between Israel and Germany?	WC1 OLIN-SANG 101 Anti-Zionism(s) in America: Definitions and Historical Evolu- tions	WD1 MANDEL G10 Teaching and Israel Studies
PANEL 2	WA2 OLIN-SANG 101 Roundtable: Between the Rule of Law and States of Emergency: The Fluid Jurispru- dence of the Israeli Regime	WB2 OLIN-SANG 101 Roundtable: Innova- tive Pedagogical Ap- proaches to Teaching Film in Israel Studies	WC2 MANDEL G11 Political Possibilities: Israelis and Palestin- ians	WD2 MANDEL G12 Violence and Revenge in Israeli Literature
PANEL 3	WA3 HELLER G4 Israel and Armed Non-State Actors: A Shifting Strategic Environment	WB3 MANDEL G10 Political Usages of Holocaust Memory in Israel	WC3 MANDEL G3 Roundtable: Campus Wars and Intellectual Integrity in Academia	WD3 OLIN-SANG 116 Imagining Zion

PANEL 4	WA4 MANDEL G3 Israel and Asia	WB4 MANDEL G3 American Perspectives on the Balfour Declaration	WC4 OLIN-SANG 104 Zionist Imaginings after Balfour	WD4 OLIN-SANG 124 The Holocaust in Israeli Society
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WELCOME



I am delighted on behalf of Brandeis University to welcome you to our campus for the 33rd Annual Conference of the Association for Israel Studies.

This is the second time

Brandeis has hosted this event. We recognize that AIS is the premiere academic society in the world for the promotion of wide-ranging and multi-disciplinary academic research and exchange of scholarly perspectives on Israel, and your program reflects the rich diversity and intellectual effervescence of the field.

Israel Studies has long occupied a central position at Brandeis and we are very proud of the key role that Brandeis has played in promoting Israel Studies worldwide through our Schusterman Center for Israel Studies. This is largely due to the work of the Founding Director of our Schusterman Center, Ilan Troen. His position as the President of your Association gives us additional reason to celebrate your conference and your being here.

We hope you enjoy the many offerings at this annual meeting and that you are enriched and renewed by your days on our campus with your colleagues. It is a privilege for Brandeis that you are here. Enjoy!

Cordially,

RON LIEBOWITZ

President, Brandeis University



On behalf of the Schusterman Center for Israel Studies at Brandeis University, we are honored to welcome you to the Brandeis campus for the 33rd Annual Con-

ference of the Association for Israel Studies.

We are very pleased that Brandeis has the privilege of hosting this Conference for the second time and are especially delight-

ed that our Founding Director Ilan Troen serves as President of the Association. It has been a pleasure for our Associate Director Rachel Fish and me to work with members of the AIS Program Committee and the Senior Executives of the Association – Moshe Naor and Ilan Ben-Ami – in planning this Conference. The Schusterman Center staff – Rise Singer, Anina Selve, Keren Goodblatt and Abby Huber – have played an integral role in the realization of this conference. Without their hard work, the Conference could not be the success we anticipate it will be. We express our gratitude to all of you for your time and efforts in making it so.

Brandeis has a rich history in Israel Studies. Ben Halpern was certainly a pioneer in the field and Jehuda Reinharz and Ilan Troen have been primary among those who have been responsible for the growth of Israel Studies at Brandeis and throughout the world. Currently, Brandeis offers a wide array of Israel Studies courses to both undergraduate and graduate students. We are very proud of the more than one dozen doctoral students who are now studying or completing their graduate work in the many disciplines that constitute Israel Studies at Brandeis. Our Summer Institute for Israel Studies, which brings university professors from North America and other corners of the world to Brandeis and Israel for intensive learning in Israel Studies,

remains a diadem in the crown of our Israel Studies programs, and we derive great satisfaction from the fact that so many alumni of our programs are in attendance at AIS.

As we know, 2017 marks many important moments in the history of Israel – 1897 (first Zionist Congress), 1917 (Balfour Declaration), 1947 (UN General Assembly Partition Resolution), 1967 War, 1977 (Ma'apach-Likud party came to power and Anwar Sadat visits Jerusalem), and 1987 (the First Intifada). Among these significant historical points, we decided to focus the theme of this year's conference, A Century After Balfour: Vision and Reality, on the Balfour Declaration as it allows for a consideration of all the events marked in these other years. This centenary provides a lens for scholars to examine topics such as Israel's attitudes towards imperialism and world powers, Israel in the context of the Middle East at a time when an understanding of nation-states is transforming, relations between Diaspora Jews and the Zionist movement and the State of Israel, the meaning of a Jewish homeland, the imperative to secure the civil and religious rights of minority communities in Israel and Palestine, and the role of international institutions in implementing the Declaration. These and other issues invite research and scholarship that will probe our understanding of the Balfour Declaration's significance in a multi-disciplinary manner.

The field of Israel Studies is burgeoning throughout the world. Participants from every corner of the globe will be in attendance in Waltham, and we are certain that the level of intellectual discourse and stimulation will be high as so many disciplines and perspectives will be on display during our multiple sessions. May we all benefit from the learning and discussions that will take place at the Conference and may you enjoy the wide menu of offerings laid before you in this book.

Cordially,

DAVID ELLENSEN, DIRECTOR
RACHEL FISH, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR
Schusterman Center for Israel Studies,
Brandeis University



Welcome to the 33rd Annual Conference of the Association for Israel Studies.

I have particular pleasure in welcoming you on this occasion. I have

been happily involved with the establishment of the Schusterman Center for Israel Studies and still make it my home under the leadership of David Ellenson. Brandeis was the first American university to inaugurate a continuing program in Israel Studies, more than half a century ago, under the legendary Ben Halpern and his successors, especially Jehuda Reinharz.

Holding this second AIS conference at Brandeis enables taking measure of what is rapidly transpiring in the field. Even as Brandeis is a home to extensive Israel Studies programs with participants from Israel, China, Europe and the Americas, so have AIS conferences developed a wide-ranging international reach well beyond the handful of American-based scholars who founded the AIS in the 1980s. This will be evident as the hundreds of participants of different backgrounds, disciplines and interests share their research in a common commitment to free and informed exchange of perspectives.

May you enjoy and benefit from this 33rd annual conference that is but one instrument by which the AIS attempts to serve you as individual scholars and advance the field as a whole.

I offer special thanks to our hosts, in particular, the Program Co-Chair, David Ellenson, and to Rachel Fish, the Associate Director of the Schusterman Center, as well as to a dedicated, efficient and talented staff including Rise Singer, Anina Selve, Keren Goodblatt, and Abby Huber. All have invested their many talents in assuring the success of a conference that will surely be memorable academically and personally.

ILAN TROEN

President, Association for Israel Studies
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Brandeis University

Conference Schedule

MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2017

REGISTRATION OPEN

MANDEL CENTER FOR THE HUMANITIES, ATRIUM

7:30-16:00

SESSION A

9:00-10:30

MA1 OLIN-SANG 116

TRAUMA, VICTIMIZATION AND VICTIMHOOD IN CONTEMPORARY ISRAEL

CHAIR:

ALON CONFINO

University of Virginia, Ben Gurion University of
the Negev

ILAN PELEG

Lafayette College

*The Victimhood Discourse in Israel: from Marginality
to Hegemony?*

IRIT KEYNAN

Center for Academic Studies, Or Yehuda
*Transforming Victimhood: From Competitive
Victimhood to Sharing Identity*

ALON GAN

Kibbutzim College of Education, Technology and
the Arts

*The Victimization Discourse in Israel: Toward
Sovereignty?*

IDO ZELKOVITZ

Max Stern Yezreel Valley College

*In Search of Revolution: Armed Struggle &
Victimhood in the Early Discourse of Creating the
Palestinian National Movement*

MA2 MANDEL G11

AN INTRICATE AFFAIR: ISRAEL, THE DIASPORA AND THEIR INTERSECTIONS

CHAIR:

JULIE GRIMMEISEN

Ludwig-Maximilian-Universität München

*"A Better Human Being:" Jewish Diaspora Images of
the New Israeli Woman*

LAURA ALMAGOR

Center for Jewish History

*"A Highway to Battlegrounds": Jewish Territorialism
and the State of Israel, 1945-1960*

MA3 OLIN-SANG 124

FAKE NEWS, EPISTEMOLOGY, EMPATHY, AND ISRAEL

CHAIR:

RICHARD LANDES

Bar-Ilan University

GERALD STEINBERG

Bar-Ilan University

*Examining the Media-NGO Nexus: What Makes a
Narrative Credible?*

MIRIAM ELMAN

Syracuse University

*Fake News and Jerusalem's Temple Mount/Noble
Sanctuary: Destabilizing the World's Most Contest-
ed Holy City*

NIDRA POLLER

Independent Scholar

*The Demonization of Israel at the Dawn of the New
Century by French Journalism, Public Opinion, and
Diplomatic Activity*

BEN-DROR YEMINI

Yediot Achronot

Industry of Lies and Moral Disarray

MA4 OLIN-SANG 104

PERCEPTIONS WITHIN THE ISRAELI- PALESTINIAN CONFLICT

CHAIR:

ODED HAKLAI

Queen's University

*Public Mindsets toward the Disputed Territories
and the Settlements*

AMIRA HALPERIN

The Harry S. Truman Research Institute for the
Advancement of Peace, The Hebrew University
of Jerusalem

*Changes in the Israeli-Palestinian Relations and
New Technologies Revolution*

MA5 OLIN-SANG 112

ISRAEL-US RELATIONS

CHAIR:

BRUCE PHILLIPS

Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles

MITCHELL BARD

American-Israeli Cooperative Enterprise

The Evolution of U.S.-Israel Relations since Balfour

HAROLD ROSENHOLTZ

Independent Scholar

The U.S. & Israel: The Politics of "Commitment"

GUY FREEDMAN

Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

The American Public Mood toward Israel

MA6 MANDEL G12

CONCEPTUALIZATIONS OF COLONIALISM

CHAIR:

RACHEL FISH

Brandeis University

SARA Yael HIRSCHHORN

University of Oxford

Settler-Colonialism and Theoretical Alternatives for the Conceptualization of Post-1967 Israel/Palestine

URI RAM

Ben Gurion University of the Negev

From Martin Buber to Contemporary Neo-Buberians: German, American and Postcolonial Entanglements of Israeli Sociology

COLIN PEARCE

Clemson University

The Letter and the Speech, or, Defending the Israeli State: Leo Strauss, Senator Moynihan, and the "Zionism is Racism" Debate

MA7 MANDEL G10

ROUNDTABLE: TEACHING ISRAELI POLITICS TO NORTH AMERICAN UNDERGRADUATES

CHAIR:

LAURA CUTLER

American University

BRENT SASLEY

University of Texas, Arlington

CSABA NIKOLENYI

Concordia University

HAROLD WALLER

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Yael ARONOFF

Michigan State University

MA8 HELLER G4

THE BALFOUR DECLARATION AND JEWISH MILITARY POWER

CHAIR:

YEHUDAH MIRSKY

Brandeis University

COLIN SHINDLER

University of London

The Political and Historical Origins of the Jewish Legion

MICHAEL KEREN

University of Calgary and Emek Israel Academic College

Religious Interpretations of the Jewish Legions' Arrival in the Land of Israel

BAT-SHEVA MARGALIT STERN

Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies

Honor and Blood: Engendering the Debate On Voluntarism - The 'Eretz Israeli Legion' as a Case Study

ARIE NAOR

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Hebrew Battalion and 'Military Zionism'

MA9 OLIN-SANG 101

OXFORD HANDBOOK OF ISRAELI POLITICS AND SOCIETY: PANEL 1: ISRAELI SOCIETY

CHAIR:

ORIT ROZIN

Tel Aviv University

ADANE ZAWDU and Sarah Willen, University of Connecticut

Natives and Newcomers in Israel

TAMAR HERMANN

The Open University of Israel

Public Opinion in Israel

ARIE PERLIGER, University of Massachusetts, Lowell, and Ami Pedazur, University of Texas

The Territories in Israeli Politics

MA10 MANDEL G3

THE OTHER ANNIVERSARY: 50 YEARS OF OCCUPATION

CHAIR:

MIRA SUCHAROV

Carleton University

Young Diaspora Jews and the Occupation: Constituting Identity from the Green Line

GERSHON SHAFIR

University of California, San Diego

What is the Occupation?

MARCO ALLEGRA

Universidade de Lisboa

Planning and Beyond: Israel's Settlement Policy and the Normalization of Jewish Life in the West Bank

AEYAL GROSS

Tel Aviv University

The Writing on the Wall: Can the Occupation Turn 50 Legally?

MA11 HELLER G3

UNDERSTANDING ISRAELI NATIONAL IDENTITY

CHAIR:

AVIVA HALAMISH

The Open University of Israel

JUDAH TROEN

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Negation of the Diaspora and the New-Jew: The Changing Contours of a Multifaceted Identity Project

NAHUM KARLINSKY, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and Mustafa Kabha, The Open University of Israel

The Citrus Industry in Late British Mandate Palestine

AMIR LOCKER-BILETZKI

Concordia University

Empire and Nationalism in Mosh Sneh's "On the National Question"

MA12 HELLER 163

100 YEARS AFTER BALFOUR: MAJOR DEBATES

CHAIR:

RAPHAEL COHEN ALMAGOR

University of Hull

OLAF GLOECKNER

Moses Mendelssohn Center for European-Jewish Studies

Israel, Europe, Diaspora and the New Anti-Semitism

ANNE WEBERLING

University of Potsdam

Structuring the Major Debates

ALAN DOWTY

University of Notre Dame

Israel as a Democratic State

JUDIT BOKSER LIWERANT

National University of Mexico

Changing Patterns of Center-Diaspora Relations: Inner Dynamics and External Constraints in a Transnational World

COFFEE BREAK

10:30-11:00

SESSION B

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ROUNDTABLE: ISRAEL-DIASPORA IN CONVERSATION

CHAIR:

DAVID ELLENSEN

Brandeis University

MOAV VARDI

Channel 10 News Diplomatic Correspondent

ADDITIONAL SPEAKER TBD

MB2 OLIN-SANG 124

INFLUENCE OF "ISRAELINESS" ON THE DIASPORA

CHAIR:

STEVEN BAYME

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ROHEE DASGUPTA

O.P. Jindal Global University

Jewish Identity and Israeli Sister Cities

SARA Yael HIRSCHHORN

University of Oxford

From Jerusalem to JStreet to Johannesburg and Back: 1967 and the Whitening of the Jewish Diasporas

CARY NELSON

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
The Diasporic Disconnect: Alienation and the Peace Process

MB3 OLIN-SANG 101

**THE PALESTINIAN ARAB CITIZENS
IN ISRAEL: BETWEEN POLITICAL
DIVERGENCE AND CIVIL CONVERGENCE**

CHAIR:

ELIE REKHESS

Northwestern University

FAHIMA ABBAS

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Integration of Arab Middle Class in the Metropolitan Areas of Tel Aviv and Haifa

MOHANAD MUSTAFA

Center for Academic Studies, Or Yehuda
Higher Education Among Palestinians in Israel: Social and Political Transformation

RONNI SHAKED

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Political Radicalization in the Arab Public Sphere in Israel

ITAMAR RADAI

Tel Aviv University
al-Madaniyyat: An Alternative Civil Agenda for the Arab Citizens?

MB4 HELLER 163

**HOPE, EXPECTATION, AND DISILLUSION IN
THE MAKING OF HEBREW AND
ISRAELI CULTURE**

CHAIR:

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ARIEH SAPOSNIK

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
"Hosanna!—The British have Arrived": Zionist Expectations and Redemptive Eschatologies after Balfour and British Conquest

OREN KALMAN

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Why is the Issue of Cultural Coercion Missing from the Mizrahi Discourse of Early Israeli Statehood?

ELAD WEXLER

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Dahn Ben-Amotz, the Zionist Ethos and a Spiritual Crisis

MB5 OLIN-SANG 104

**INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO TEACHING
ISRAEL STUDIES**

CHAIR:

MORRIE FRED

University of Chicago
Using Film to Teach the "Anthropology of Israel"

PIERRE ANCTIL

University of Ottawa
Interdisciplinarity as a Method of Discussing the Arab-Israeli Conflict in a Canadian Context

IRA ROBINSON

Concordia University
Between Religious Studies and Political Science: Teaching "Israel: Religion and State"

DINA ROGINSKY

Yale University
Emphasizing Multi-vocality in Israel Studies Teaching

KHINVRAJ JANGID

O.P. Jindal Global University
Who are the "Yehudi log?": Teaching Israel in India

MB6 HELLER G4

**THE BRITISH MANDATE AND THE
TRANSFORMATION OF PALESTINE INTO
A PLACE TO CALL HOME FOR JEWS**

CHAIR:

DONNA ROBINSON DIVINE

Smith College

MOSHE NAOR, University of Haifa and **ABIGAIL JACOBSON**, Van-Leer Jerusalem Institute
Oriental Jews in the Transition to the British Mandate

ARIE DUBNOV

The George Washington University
On Vertical Alliances and Informal Imperialism, or: Between the Balfour Declaration (1917) and the Balfour Formula (1926)

ELIA ETKIN

Tel Aviv University
A Neighborhood of One's Own: Formation of Jewish Neighborhoods under the British Mandate

MATAN BOORD

Tel Aviv University
Literature's Role in Reducing Ambiguity Regarding Gender and Sexuality in Jewish Labor Circles in Mandate Palestine

MB7 MANDEL G10

MINORITIES IN ISRAEL

CHAIR:

ANDRÉ LEVY

Brandeis University

AZIZA KHAZZOOM

Indiana University Bloomington

Identification with Non-Jewish Arabs Among Alliance Educated Iraqi Immigrants to Israel

RIMA FARAH

Brandeis University

Reviving an Aramaic Identity in Israel: Maronites' Continued Rejection of Arabism by Resurrecting a Christian Politics of Identity

Yael MIZRAHI-ARNAUD

Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies

The Jews of Sidon and the Yishuv: A Story of Dynamism and Support

SIGAL NAGAR-RON Sapir Academic College, and Hagar Tzameret, Sapir Academic College

The Wiping Out of the Social Category of Mizrahi and the Emergence of the "Periphery Index": How Intra-Jew Divisions Transform into a Spatial Problem?

MB8 MANDEL G3

INFLUENCE OF THE BALFOUR DECLARATION

CHAIR:

COLIN SHINDLER

University of London

MOSHE FOX

Israel's Foreign Ministry

The Impact of "Jewish influence"—the case of the Balfour Declaration

MARTIN KRAMER

Shalem College

The Allied Balfour Declaration

IAN LUSTICK

University of Pennsylvania

The Balfour Declaration 100 Years Later: A Radically and Accidentally Relevant Document

MB9 OLIN-SANG 116

ISRAELI SECURITY AND DIPLOMACY

CHAIR:

MARK HELLER

Tel Aviv University

AMIT SHENIAK

Harvard University

The Israeli National Cyberspace: The Legitimization Process of Israel's Cyber-Security Policy

GIL MEROM

The University of Sydney

Learning, Strategy, Ethics, and the Law: The Evolution of the IDF's Asymmetric Conflict Behavior

AVIAD LEVY

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Keep Calm and Stay Frustrated: The Unspoken Emotional Dimensions of Israeli Diplomacy in Europe

MB10 MANDEL G11

ISRAEL AND DIASPORA: DO THEY SHARE CONCERNS?

CHAIR:

ELI AVRAHAM

University of Haifa and Reut Cohen, University of Haifa

Image Repair and Strategies in Fighting BDS, Anti-Semitism and the Boycott of Israeli Academia

HANNA SHAUL BAR NISSIM, Brandeis University and Hillel Schmid, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Intergenerational Transmission of Philanthropic Values and Behavior Among Israeli Donors

REUT BENDRIHEM

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

"Lehitnachel Balevavot" as Moral Entrepreneurship: the Case of the "Garin Torani" in Mitzpe Ramon

MB11 HELLER G3

THE SICK MAN OF EUROPE AND EMERGING NATIONAL IDENTITIES

CONVERSATION WITH AN ARTIST

DOR GUEZ

Head of the Photography Department, Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design

GANNIT ANKORI

Brandeis University

MB12 OLIN-SANG 112

NEW PERSPECTIVES ON ISRAELI MILITARY PERSONNEL

CHAIR:

ELISHEVA ROSMAN

Bar-Ilan University

*Melting Pot or Pressure Cooker: The IDF's Effect on
Bridging Social Schisms*

AHARON KAMPINSKY

Efrata College

*From Cooperation to Defensiveness: The Paradox of
Religious Soldiers in the IDF*

ITAMAR RICKOVER

Bar-Ilan University

*From Balfour Declaration to the Six Day War—
Changes in the Character of the Jewish Warrior*

LUNCH BREAK

12:30-14:00

SESSION C

14:00-15:30

MC1 MANDEL G3

ISRAEL-US RELATIONS: DIPLOMATS AND LOBBYISTS

CHAIR:

TED SASSON

Brandeis University

NATAN ARIDAN

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

*Diplomats and Lobbyists: Advocating for Israel:
From Truman to Nixon—A Reassessment*

DANIEL KURTZER

Princeton University

*Freedom of Expression? The Possibilities and Limits
of American Advocacy*

STEVEN BAYME

American Jewish Committee

*American Jewish Political Advocacy:
How Significant a Factor?*

MC2 OLIN-SANG 116

TRANSNATIONALISM AND NATIONALISM IN ISRAELI CULTURE

CHAIR:

OLGA GERSHENSON

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

INNA NARODITSKAYA

Northwestern University

Israeli Soundscape and Daily Life/Online

JANET WARD

University of Oklahoma

*Tel Aviv Bauhaus: The Construction of Transnational
and Zionist Vernacular Urban Modernism*

MC3 OLIN-SANG 112

CONTESTED DIVISION, DISPUTED UNIFICATION, JERUSALEM: UNIFICATION AND DIVISION

CHAIR AND DISCUSSANT:

NOAH RUBIN

University of Michigan

OREN SHLOMO

Harvard University

*Contemporary Transformation in East Jerusalem:
Territorialization, Infrastructural Services, and
Shifting of Urban Politics*

MARIK SHTERN

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

*Towards "Ethno-National Peripheralization?"
Economic Dependency Amidst Political Resistance
in Palestinian East Jerusalem*

ERAN TZIDKIYAHU

Paris Institute of Political Studies (Sciences Po)

*From a Cosmopolitan to a Segregated City—Jeru-
salem's City Centers as a Case Study*

MC4 MANDEL G12

ACTUALLY EXISTING ZIONISM: IS THE STATE OF ISRAEL NOT LORD BALFOUR'S "NATIONAL HOME FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE," AFTER ALL?

CHAIR:

RACHEL FISH

Brandeis University

ELHANAN YAKIRA

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

From Balfour's National Home to the State of Israel

GABRIEL BRAHM

Northern Michigan University

*Neo-Geo-Antisemitism—The Jewish National Home
and Its Detractors*

ASHLEY PASSMORE

Texas A&M University

Post-Nationalism and Its Discontents

GILAD HALPERN
University of Haifa
Self-Hating Israelis

MC5 OLIN-SANG 101

**LAND, NATURE, AND THE PALESTINIAN/
ARAB OTHER IN JEWISH CULTURE**

CHAIR:

ILAN TROEN
Brandeis University

MOSTAFA HUSSEIN
University of Southern California
*Intertwined Landscape: On the Integration of
Islamicate Culture in the Construction of Jewish
Landscape in Palestine/Israel*

Yael ZERUBAVEL
Rutgers University
*Contested Visions of the Desert, Nature, and
the Bedouins in the Contemporary Israeli Tourist
Discourse*

ASSAF HAREL
Rutgers University
*Building, Burning and Belonging: Religiously
Motivated Settlers and the Land of Israel*

LIRON SHANI
Brandeis University and Shai M. Dromi, Harvard
University
*Nationalizing the Nature—the Israeli Space between
Environmentalism and Landalism*

MC6 HELLER G3

**TRANSFORMING ISRAEL'S TRADITIONAL
SOCIETIES: AN INTERSECTIONAL
PERSPECTIVE ON WOMEN'S STRATEGIES
OF CHANGE**

CHAIR:

SHULAMIT REINHARZ
Brandeis University

EBTESAM BARAKAT
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
*"I'm the One Who Should Decide for Myself": Druze
Women's Struggle to Get an Education*

SAFA ABU-RABIA
Harvard University
*The Negev's Struggle Over Land: Bedouin Women
from the 1948 Generation—Resistance from within
Patriarchal Spaces*

TANYA ZION-WALDOKS
Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
*"I Believe in Change from Within": Jewish-Orthodox
Israeli Women's Transformative "Tempered
Radicalism"*

MC7 MANDEL G11

ZIONISM IN ISRAEL AND BEYOND

CHAIR:

GILBERT KAHN
Kean University
*The Increasing Political Engagement and
Influence of American Orthodox Jews on
Israel-Diaspora Relations*

WILLIAM MILES
Northeastern University
*De Facto Zionism: "Love of Israel" and the
"Covenant of Blood"*

LUKAS WEINBEER
Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
*Approaching and Integrating non-Hebrew speaking
Olim—Mapai's Mass Communication in French
and German*

MC8 OLIN-SANG 124

**BIOGRAPHY AND THE BUILDING OF
A JEWISH STATE**

CHAIR:

AVI SHILON
Tsinghua University

PAULA KABALO
Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
*David Ben-Gurion's Jerusalem Vision Post June
1967: What Was the Plan and Why Does it Matter?*

ARIEL COHEN
University of Virginia
*Rights and Sovereignty in a Developing
International Order: David Ben Gurion's Am Yisrael
in the 1920s/30s Global Landscape*

ADI ARMON
Da'at Hamakom Center for the Study of Cultures
of Place in the Modern Jewish World, The Hebrew
University of Jerusalem
Benzion Netanyahu—The Formative Years

MC9 HELLER 163

WRITING ISRAELI HISTORY

CHAIR:

AVIVA HALAMISH

The Open University of Israel

SHAY HAZKANI

University of Maryland, College Park

The Israeli Postal Censorship: A new Source for Writing History from Below of Israel/Palestine

ESTHER CARMEL-HAKIM

University of Haifa

From a Pension in Safed to the Dan Hotel Chain: Entrepreneur Kaete Dan

YITZHAK CONFORTI

Bar-Ilan University

Utopia and History in the Zionist Movement

MC10 HELLER G4

OXFORD HANDBOOK OF ISRAELI POLITICS AND SOCIETY: POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS: PANEL 2: POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS

CHAIR:

CSABA NIKOLENYI

Concordia University

CHEN FRIEDBERG

Ariel University and Reuven Hazan, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Legislative Branch in Israel

MENACHEM HOFNUNG, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Mohammed Wattad, Zefat Academic College

The Judicial Branch in Israel

AS'AD GHANEM

University of Haifa

Arab Political Institutions in Israel

YORAM PERI

University of Maryland

The Military in Israeli Politics

MC11 MANDEL G10

HOW TO TEACH ISRAEL STUDIES IN AN AGE OF SHRINKING ENROLLMENT IN THE HUMANITIES

CHAIR:

DONNA ROBINSON DIVINE

Smith College

NAOMI SOKOLOFF

University of Washington

Have We Got a Prayer? The Crisis in the Humanities, Hebrew Poetry, and World Literature

SHIRA KLEIN

Chapman University

Using Wikipedia in the Israel Studies Classroom

WELCOME RECEPTION

USDAN STUDENT CENTER COURTYARD

15:45-16:30

GREETINGS:

DAVID ELLENSON

Brandeis University

ILAN TROEN

President, AIS

AWARDS CEREMONY

USDAN STUDENT CENTER, LEVIN BALLROOM

16:45-17:30

AIIS-ISRAEL INSTITUTE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Alan Dowty

University of Notre Dame

Pnina Lahav

Boston University

ANNUAL SHAPIRO AWARD FOR BEST BOOK IN ISRAEL STUDIES 2016

Abigail Jacobson

The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

Moshe Naor

University of Haifa

Oriental Neighbors: Middle Eastern Jews and Arabs in Mandatory Palestine (Schusterman Series in Israel Studies/Brandeis University Press).

ANNUAL BEN HALPERN AWARD FOR BEST DISSERTATION IN ISRAEL STUDIES 2016

Irit Katz

Girton College, University of Cambridge

"The Common Camp: Temporary Settlements as a Spatio-political Instrument in Israel-Palestine."

Judah Troen

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

"This is What is Done Abroad: Model Others and the Construction of National Identity in the Parliamentary Discourse of Israel."

**ANNUAL BARUCH KIMMERLING PRIZE FOR
BEST GRADUATE PAPER PRESENTED AT 2016
ANNUAL MEETING**

Geoffrey Levin

New York University

"Enlightening a Stained Democracy: The American Jewish Committee and Israel's Palestinian Arab Minority, 1949-1966."

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS: REFLECTIONS ON
THE BALFOUR DECLARATION**

USDAN STUDENT CENTER, LEVIN BALLROOM

17:30-18:15

WELCOME:

RON LIEBOWITZ

President, Brandeis University

KEYNOTE CONVERSATION:

LEON WIESELTIER

Isaiah Berlin Senior Fellow in Culture and Policy,
Brookings Institution

MODERATOR:

ILAN TROEN

President, AIS

BANQUET (PAYMENT REQUIRED)

HASSENFELD CONFERENCE CENTER, SHERMAN HALL

18:30-20:00

TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2017

REGISTRATION OPEN

MANDEL CENTER FOR THE HUMANITIES ATRIUM

8:00-16:00

SESSION A

9:00-10:30

TA1 HELLER G3

**CHALLENGING ISRAEL'S ORTHODOX
HEGEMONY: CONTESTED VISIONS OF
JEWISH IDENTITY**

CHAIR:

NATAN ARIDAN

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

DAVID BARAK-GORODETSKY

University of Haifa

Reform Judaism in the Eyes of the Israeli Establishment: an Historical Exploration

TANYA ZION-WALDOKS

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Israel's Rabbinic Courts vs. Religious Women Activists—Who Represents Israel's True Defense Force?

OFIR ABU

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Religious Pluralism, National Identity, and the State: The Case of Non-Orthodox Judaism in Israel

TA2 MANDEL G10

**POPULAR CULTURE AND THE FATE OF
ETHNICITY IN CONTEMPORARY ISRAEL**

CHAIR:

ANDRÉ LEVY

Brandeis University

URI DORCHIN

Zefat Academic College

Mizrahi Rap: Signifying Orientalism Anew

GABRIELLA DJERRAHIAN

Université du Québec à Montréal

A New Blueprint for Blackness: Ethiopian Israelis and the Consumption of Popular Music

ADANE ZAWDU

University of Connecticut

The Popularization of the Siqd Holiday in Israel: A View from Below on Making Ethnicity

ASAF LEBOVITZ

Ariel University

Spiritual Traditionalism Among Israeli Celebs as Post-Secular Discourse of Citizenship

TA3 OLIN-SANG 124

**MATERIALITY AND THE TIME OF THE
PRESENT IN ISRAELI CULTURE**

CHAIR:

SARA HOROWITZ

York University

ORIT ROZIN

Tel Aviv University

Confronting Fear and Enriching the Self and the Nation: Practices and Emotions in the Aftermath of the Czech-Egyptian Arms Deal

TAMAR BERGER

Suburban Realities: The Israeli Case

Yael Munk

Open University of Israel

The Catastrophic Horizon: Dead-End Israeli Cinema in the Materialistic New Millennium

Oded Nir

Ohio State University

Peace as Vanishing Mediator: Towards a Marxist History of Zionism and Israel

TA4 OLIN-SANG 112

Balfour and State-Building: A Century of Zionism in International Perspective

CHAIR:

Jonathan Adelman

University of Denver

Jeff Weintraub

Bryn Mawr College

From 1923 to 1948 and Beyond: The Dynamics of Modern Nationalism and Post-Imperial "Exchange of Populations" as a Context for Understanding the Histories of Israel and Zionism

Asaf Romirowsky

Scholars for Peace in the Middle East

The Anomaly of the Arab Palestinian Refugees

Anna Geifman

Bar-Ilan University

Extremists as State-Builders: The Bolsheviks, Hamas, ISIS... and the Zionists?

TA5 MANDEL G12

Contested Division, Disputed Unification - Jerusalem: East and West

CHAIR AND DISCUSSANTS:

Itamar Radai

Tel Aviv University

CO-CHAIR:

Noah Rubin

University of Michigan

Planning Jerusalem, 1948-1968

Reuven Gafni

Kinneret College

From Neighborhoods to Borders: Jurat El-Anab, Shamm'a, and the Early Creation of Divided Jerusalem in the British Mandate Period

Menachem Klein

Bar-Ilan University

From Army Occupation to Annexed City, Methods Israel Used to Annex Jordanian Jerusalem

TA6 OLIN-SANG 104

Education: It's Complicated

CHAIR:

Matthew Boxer

Brandeis University

David Bryfman

The Jewish Education Project

Jewish Generation Z and Israel: It's Complicated and Conflicted

Hannah Kober

Brandeis University

The Motivations and Experiences of Jewish Students of Arabic at Israeli Universities

Nir Ressler

Oranim College of Education

Does Outsourcing Zionist Education Indicate a Neo-Zionist Vision?

Ilan Fuchs

Brandeis University

Women's Education in the Haredi Leumi Community: A Curriculum for the Creation of a Stay at Home Revolutionary

TA7 HELLER 163

Visions for a Jewish State

CHAIR:

Naum Karlinsky

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Lior David

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Between "Altneuland" and Mini Israel

Avi Shilon

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

More than Poetry and Music: Spiritual's Place in Jabotinsky's Later View of Nationalism

Moshe Berent

Open University of Israel

Did Zionism Aspire for a State?

Roman Vater

University of Oxford

Fighting for a Civic Nation: The "I am an Israeli" Organization as a post-Zionist/post-"Canaanite" Phenomenon

TA8 OLIN-SANG 116

ISRAELI POLITICS

CHAIR:

PNINA LAHAV

Boston University

CSABA NIKOLENYI

Concordia University

Defectors in the Knesset: What Explains Exit and Loyalty?

MARK TESSLER and **ALON YAKTER**

University of Michigan

The Dealignment of the Israeli Political Party System

RUVI ZIEGLER

University of Reading

Permanent Transience: Israel's (Non)immigration Policy

HADARA BAR-MOR, Netanya Academic College,
Lilach Littor, The Open University of Israel, and Gila
Menachem, Tel Aviv University

*Courts and Social Rights within Liberal
Constitutions: The Organic and Functional
Approaches to Judicial Review in the Age of
Privatization and Contracting Out*

TA9 MANDEL G11

EDUCATING ISRAELIS

CHAIR:

TALI TADMOR- SHIMONY

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

AMIRA ERAN

Levinsky College of Education

*Parent-Children and School Relations in Communal
Education – A Century after the Balfour Declaration*

LAURA WISEMAN

York University

Growing Up: The Phantasm of Israeli Childhood

HANIT BENGLAS KAUFMAN

Tel Aviv University

*Models of the Secular Pluralistic Beit Midrash In
Israel: Innovative Methods of Teaching*

TA10 OLIN-SANG 101

PALESTINIAN ARABS IN ISRAELI SOCIETY

CHAIR:

DANA BLANDER

Israel Democracy Institute

*Is There a Place for the 'Other' in the "National
Home for the Jewish People"?*

AS'AD GHANEM

University of Haifa

*Restoring Faith—The Politics of Empowerment
Among the Palestinians in Israel after Oslo*

SHAHBARI ILHAM

University of Bradford

*Internationalization of the National Aspirations of
the Arab Minority in Israel*

ELIE REKHESS

Northwestern University

*Sami Michael's Hasut and the Political History of the
Arabs in Israel*

TA11 MANDEL G3

OXFORD HANDBOOK OF ISRAELI POLITICS AND SOCIETY:

PANEL 3: ISRAEL, THE WORLD AND DIASPORA RELATIONS

CHAIR:

ILAN TROEN

Brandeis University

SERGIO DELLAPERGOLA

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Demographic History of Israel

MIRA SUCHAROV

Carleton University

Israel and the Jewish Diaspora

KEN STEIN

Emory University

Israel and the United States

OREN BARAK

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Israel's Policies in the West Bank and Gaza

TA12 HELLER G4

FORMATION OF ISRAELINESS

CHAIR:

MOSHE NAOR

University of Haifa

ASSAF SELZER

University of Haifa

*The Inauguration Ceremony of the Hebrew
University in Jerusalem—Was it an Academic Event
or a National One?*

BEN HERZOG

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

*Public Attitudes toward the Israeli Citizenship
Law (1952)*

MARTIN LASKIN

Southern Connecticut State University

The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Labor Zionism

MILI LEITNER

University of Chicago

Separate But Equal? The Palestine Broadcasting Service and the Racialization of Zionism in Mandatory Palestine

COFFEE BREAK

10:30-11:00

PLENARY SESSION I: 50 YEARS SINCE '67

USDAN STUDENT CENTER, LEVIN BALLROOM

11:00-12:30

MODERATOR:

DAVID ELLENSON

Brandeis University

ANITA SHAPIRA

Tel Aviv University

HUSSEIN IBISH

Arab Gulf States Institute

DAN KURTZER

Princeton University

HUSAM ZOMLOT

Chief Representative of the Palestinian General Delegation to the United States

GENERAL ASSEMBLY (BOX LUNCH PROVIDED TO FIRST 100 ATTENDEES)

OLIN-SANG 101

12:45-13:45

SESSION C

14:00-15:30

TC1 HELLER G3

ETHNIC AND RELIGIOUS MINORITIES IN ISRAEL

CHAIR:

AZIZA KHAZZOOM

Indiana University

HAVATZELET YAHIEL

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Land Privatization in the Negev: Tribes, Sheikhs and Administration in the 19th and 20th Century

SAFA ABU-RABIA, Harvard University and Avinoam Meir, Ben Gurion University

Involvement of Nakba's Third Generation Bedouin Women in the Land Conflict in the Naqab\Negev: Between State Dispossession and Social Patriarchy.

NOHAD 'ALI

Western Galilee College and University of Haifa

Being a Muslim in an Ethnic Jewish State: Culture, Identity and Minority Status Internalization

TC2 HELLER 163

ISRAELI CINEMA

CHAIR:

DINA ROGINSKY

Yale University

OREN BARAK, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Daphne Inbar, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

"Revenge of the Jobniks": Daily Resistance of Soldiers As Represented in Contemporary Israeli Cinema

NAVA DUSHI

Lynn University

Hanging by a Thread: Israeli Cinema in the International Arena

UTA LARKEY

Goucher College

The Brichah (1945-49) in History and Film

TONY SHAW, University of Hertfordshire and

GIORA GOODMAN, Kinneret College

Star Power: Kirk Douglas, Hollywood and Israel

TC3 MANDEL G12

DEFINING THE TENT: PERSPECTIVES ON SUPPORT OF, ENGAGEMENT WITH, AND CONNECTION TO ISRAEL

CHAIR:

SARAH ANNE MINKIN

Just Vision

ARIELA KEYSAR, Trinity College and **SERGIO DELLAPERGOLA**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Are We All One Happy Family? American and Israeli Jews

RACHEL FISH

Brandeis University

The Politics of the Israel Discourse within the Academy

JANET KRASNER ARONSON AND MATTHEW BROOKNER

Brandeis University

Who Supports AIPAC and J Street? A Community Divided

MATTHEW BOXER AND DAVID MANCHESTER

Brandeis University

Use, Misuse, and Missing: Survey Data in Jewish Communal Discourse on the 2015 Iran Nuclear Deal

TC4 OLIN-SANG 116

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS AND PERSONALITIES

CHAIR:

SONJA WENTLING

Concordia College

RAPHAEL COHEN ALMAGOR

University of Hull

Arafat, Barak and Clinton at Camp David: Clashes of Characters and Conduct

LIOR LEHRS

New York University

Unofficial Israeli Diplomats in the Israeli-Arab Conflict—A Historical Perspective

ZACHARY SMITH

University of Pennsylvania

Electoral System Change in the Middle East: Threat and Elite Action Across Regime Type

BARIS KESGIN

Elon University

Tracing Shimon Peres' Leadership Traits

TC5 OLIN-SANG 112

FIELD RESEARCH AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF ISRAEL STUDIES CURRICULA ON NORTH AMERICAN CAMPUSES

CHAIR:

ANNETTE KOREN

Brandeis University

JULIA LIEBERMAN

Saint Louis University

A "College Town" Embroiled in Ethnic Turmoil: Field Observations in Jerusalem 2015-2016

CSABA NIKOLENYI

Concordia University

Field Immersion and the Teaching of Israeli Politics

GABRIEL NOAH BRAHM

Northern Michigan University

Don't Boycott this Class

TC6 OLIN-SANG 104

INFLUENCE OF RELIGION IN ISRAELI SOCIETY

CHAIR:

JOSEPH RINGEL

Northwestern University

MOTTI INBARI

The University of North Carolina, Pembroke

Uzi Meshulam's "Mishkan Ohalim" Affair and the Influence of Radical Ultra-Orthodox Ideology

TEHILA KALAGY

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

From Defensive Conservatism to a Conservatism of Adaptation: Acculturation Strategies of ultra-Orthodox Academics in the Workplace

HEATHER MUNRO

Durham University

Examining the Notions of Secular and Religious Through the Case of Hasidic Women in Jerusalem

TC7 MANDEL G3

ISRAELI FOREIGN POLICY IN THE TRUMP ERA

CHAIR:

ROBERT FREEDMAN

Johns Hopkins University

ILAN PELEG

Lafayette College

The Impact of Trump's Policy on Israeli Politics

Yael ARONOFF

Michigan State University

The Policy of the Trump Administration toward Israel

STEVEN DAVID

John Hopkins University

Israel and the Iran Nuclear Agreement—Two Years Later

TC8 MANDEL G11

ISRAELI ETHNICITIES REVISITED

CHAIR:

URI RAM

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

LIHI YONA

Columbia University

The Man of Honor Killings: The Racialized Space between Honor and Dignity

ORNA SASSON-LEVY and Nissim Leon,
Bar-Ilan University
Hishtaknezut: Passing as White or Class Mobility

GILLY HARTAL
McGill University
Inventing Gay Utopia: Gay Tourism to Tel Aviv and Israeli Ethnicities

TC9 MANDEL G10
GENDER AND ISRAELI SOCIETY

CHAIR:
SHULAMIT REINHARZ
Brandeis University

ORLY BENJAMIN
Bar-Ilan University
Gender and Government Procurement in Israel: How Do Privatization Contracts Promote Gender Inequality?

DIKLA BAR ORIAN
Bar-Ilan University
Shaping of the Settler—Women in the First Wave of Settlements, 1967-1977

LILACH ROSENBERG-FRIEDMAN
Bar-Ilan University
Captivity and Gender: Female Prisoners of Israel's War of Independence as a Case Study

TC10 OLIN-SANG 101
REVISITING BALFOUR

CHAIR:
GERSHON SHAFIR
University of California, San Diego
A Century of Balfour Declarations

YEHUDAH MIRSKY
Brandeis University
State, Community & Nation on the Anvil of Political Theology

MARIA G. NAVARRO
Universidad de Salamanca
Preventive vs. Proactive Policies: An Interpretation of Balfour Declaration's Political Vision

AVITAL GINAT
Tel Aviv University
Shifting Loyalties: The Balfour Declaration and the Transition towards British Orientation During and After First World War

TC11 OLIN-SANG 124
IMAGINING PALESTINE: ZIONISTS' POLITICAL IMAGINATION, 1917-1947

CHAIR AND DISCUSSANT:
Yael Zerubavel
Rutgers University

ALON CONFINO
University of Virginia and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
What Would Palestine Look Like? Zionists Imagine Palestine on the Night of November 29, 1947

DIMITRY SHUMSKY
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
From Recognition to Denial: The Palestinian Arabs in Ben-Gurion's Political Imagination in the British Mandate Period

TC12 HELLER G4
SPIES, SEX AND SABICH: ISRAELI TELEVISION IN THE AGE OF NETFLIX

CHAIR:
SARA HOROWITZ
York University

RACHEL S. HARRIS
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
The Office of Gender and Age Diversity: Mossad 101

MARTIN SHICHTMAN
Eastern Michigan University
Violence and the Death of the Family in Fauda

SHAYNA WEISS
United States Naval Academy
Srugim

COFFEE BREAK
15:30-16:00

PLENARY SESSION II: ROLE OF NGO'S INSIDE/OUTSIDE OF ISRAEL

USDAN STUDENT CENTER, LEVIN BALLROOM

16:00-17:30

MODERATOR:
RACHEL FISH
Brandeis University

PETER BEINART
City University of New York

ALISA DOCTOROFF
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8:30-12:45

SESSION A

9:00-10:30

WA1 OLIN-SANG 124

ISRAELI CULTURE

CHAIR:

ARIEH SAPOSNIK

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

JEROME CHANES

CUNY Graduate Center

The Play's the Thing: ha-Bimah and the Cameri—Israeli Society through the Lens of Theater

ALEC MISHORY

Independent Scholar

"There were Shepherds Abiding in the Field": Origins of Israeli Folk Dance Costumes

NINA SPIEGEL

Portland State University

U.S.-Israel Relations: Israeli Cultural Development in the Early Years of the State

WA2 OLIN-SANG 101

ROUNDTABLE: BETWEEN THE RULE OF LAW AND STATES OF EMERGENCY: THE FLUID JURISPRUDENCE OF THE ISRAELI REGIME

CHAIR:

NITZAN LEBOVIC

Lehigh University

IAN LUSTICK

University of Pennsylvania

ILAN PELEG

Lafayette College

YOAV MEHOZAY

University of Haifa

WA3 HELLER G4

ISRAEL AND ARMED NON-STATE ACTORS: A SHIFTING STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENT

CHAIR:

PETER KRAUSE

Boston College

Victory Hanging in the Balance: Why Zionist Armed Groups Competed, Fought and Won

BOAZ ATZILI

American University

Israel's Triadic Coercion: Persistence and Changes

EHUD EIRAN

University of Haifa

What Do We Talk about When We Talk about Military Adaptation? Israel in South Lebanon, 1985-2000

DANIEL SOBELMAN

Harvard University

A Comparative Look at Israel's Conflicts with Hezbollah and Hamas Over the Past Decade

OREN BARAK

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Defending Ourselves Against the Wild Beasts: A Defensive Turn in Israel's Offensive Military Strategy

WA4 MANDEL G3

ISRAEL AND ASIA

CHAIR:

YORAM PERI

University of Maryland

MERON MEDZINI

Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Reaction of the Asian Nations to the Balfour Declaration

JAMES (JIM) NORWINE, Texas A&M University,
Pinhas Alpert, Tel Aviv University, Michael Jennings,
University of Idaho and Brent Hedquist, Texas A&M
University - Kingsville

*Southwest Asia's Ominous Climate Future: The End
of an Ancient Heart(h)land?*

MING HUI PAN

Concordia University

*A Century of Zionism in China: The Harbin Jewish
Community since 1917*

WA5 HELLER G3

ISRAEL AND THE UN

CHAIR:

PAUL SCHAM

University of Maryland

ELAD BEN-DROR

Bar-Ilan University

*Arab Support for the UN Plan to Internationalize
Jerusalem and its Decisive Weight in the Passage
of the 1949 Resolution to Do So*

KATHERINE HARBORD

Liverpool John Moores University

*"Um Shmum"? The Role of the UN in the Perpetra-
tion of Palestinian Refugee Status*

WA6 OLIN-SANG 104

ISRAELI FOREIGN RELATIONS

CHAIR:

BERKAY GULEN

University of Washington

*Institutional Change in the Middle East: Turkish
Foreign Policy towards Israel between 2002 and
2014*

ALFRED TOVIAS

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

*Israel and Spain: Are They Rival or Complementary
Countries?*

MICHEL GHERMAN

Federal University of Rio de Janeiro

*Peripheral Zionism: Ambiguities of History of
Zionism in Brazil (1900-1930)*

WA7 MANDEL G10

INTERNATIONAL INFLUENCE ON THE JEWISH STATE

CHAIR:

EVA GUREVICH

Brandeis University

*Eliezer Livneh: The Israeli Translator and Adapter of
American Neo-Conservative Political Thought in the
1970s*

ANJA SCHMIDT-KLEINERT

University of Bielefeld

*Inclusion through Exclusion: Young Russians in the
Yisra'el Beitenu Party Actively Construct a Sense of
Belonging*

KHINVRAJ JANGID

Jindal Global University

*Indian National Movement and Zionism: In the Light
of Balfour Declaration*

WA8 OLIN-SANG 112

PERCEPTIONS OF ISRAEL

CHAIR:

SARA AIROLDI

State University of Milan

*Home, Nation, State? Political Wording and the
Meaning of Jewish Nationhood in Italy (1917-1938)*

JONATHAN GROSSMAN

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

*Israeli and Jewish Proposals to Resettle Palestinian
Refugees in the Wake of the Six-Day War: The Case
of Brazil*

FELICIA WALDMAN

University of Bucharest

*Israel and the Israeli-Arab Conflict in the Eyes of
Romanian Communists (1948-1975)*

MARWA MAZIAD

University of Washington

*"The Territories": Ambiguities and (dis)Continuities
in Israel's Civil-Military Relations*

WA9 HELLER 163

INFLUENCE OF WOMEN ON STATE FORMATION

CHAIR: O

LILACH ROSENBERG-FRIEDMAN

Bar-Ilan University

MEIR CHAZAN

Tel Aviv University

Women Defense Service in the Palmach, 1942-1945s

TALI TADMOR-SHIMONY, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and Nirit Raichel, Kinneret College
Gender, Professional Identity, and Familial Life in the Yishuv Area: The Married Women Teachers, 1880's-1930

MIRA YUNGMAN

The Open University of Israel
The Leading Women's Zionist Organizations in the US, 1912-1948: Identities, Vision and Ideologies—A Comparison

SAM LEHMAN-WILZIG and Gilad Greenwald,
Bar-Ilan University

From Collectivity to Personalization: The Historical Retrogression of Female Politicians' Media Image in Israeli Newspapers

WA10 MANDEL G12

SOCIETAL CHALLENGES IN ISRAEL

CHAIR:

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OZ FRANKEL

New School for Social Research
Consumer Modernity, Citizenship, and the Everyday in 1960s Israel

RAFI GROSGLIK

Brandeis University
Neoliberal-Environmentalism in Israeli Legislation: The Case of the Law for Regulation of Organic Produce

DIVYA MALHOTRA

Jawaharlal Nehru University
The Health Gap: Understanding Access to Healthcare in Israel

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ETHIOPIANS IN ISRAEL

CHAIR:

SHARON SHALOM

Brandeis University
Between Subjective Identity and Objective Identity—A Case Study of Ethiopian Immigrants in Israel

ALON BURSTEIN, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Liora Norwich, Brandeis University
From a Whisper to a Scream: The Politicization of the Ethiopian Community in Israel

SOLOMON GETAHUN

Central Michigan University
The Beta-Israel Migration and Israel's Continued Predicament

WA12 OLIN-SANG 116

ROUNDTABLE: THE CULT OF THE OCCUPATION

CHAIR:

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COFFEE BREAK

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SESSION B

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TWO DECADES PLUS SINCE “FOREIGNERS DESERVE RIGHTS?”: WHAT RIGHTS DO THEY DESERVE AND WHAT ARE COMMON THEMES BETWEEN ISRAEL AND GERMANY?

CHAIR AND DISCUSSANT:

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Ruppin College and Tel Aviv University

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Bergische University Wuppertal
Case 2: Germany

ODED ORON

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Let My People Stay: Seeking Asylum in the Jewish State

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ROUNDTABLE: INNOVATIVE PEDAGOGICAL APPROACHES TO TEACHING FILM IN ISRAEL STUDIES

CHAIR:

RACHEL HARRIS

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IDF on Screens: New Genres, New Values

ASSAF HAREL

Rutgers University

Teaching about Post-1967 Settlers through Film

DAVID STARR

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The History of Zionism and Israel Through Short Educational Documentary Videos

OREN KROLL-ZELDIN

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Teaching Palestine in Israel Studies Through Palestinian Film

WB3 MANDEL G10

POLITICAL USAGES OF HOLOCAUST MEMORY IN ISRAEL

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The "Eichmann Controversy" in Israel: Reading of Hannah Arendt's Eichmann in Jerusalem through the Lens of The Origins of Totalitarianism

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Motherhood as Resistance?: Representations of Mothers in the Holocaust during the 50's in Israeli's Newspapers

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AMERICAN PERSPECTIVES ON THE BALFOUR DECLARATION

CHAIR:

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From the Balfour Declaration to Cleveland: The 1921 ZOA Convention Reconsidered

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Stephen S. Wise and the Balfour Declaration

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University of Oklahoma

The Influence of Judah Magnes on American Liberal Protestant Interpretations of the Balfour Declaration

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GHETTOS, CAMPS AND IMMIGRATION TO ISRAEL

CHAIR:

AVINOAM PATT

University of Hartford

Ghetto in Flames: Zionists, Bundists and the Meaning of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising

LIOR YOHANANI

Rutgers University

Internment Camps in Palestine: British Staff, Jewish Guards, German Internees

BENNY NURIELY

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Experts, Camps and Immigration to Israel—The Joint and the OSE in South France 1947-1951

WB6 HELLER G3

PERSPECTIVES OF ORTHODOXY IN ISRAEL

CHAIR:

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Rabbi Joseph Carlebach's (1883-1942) non-Zionist Zionism

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Counter-Culture within a Counter-Culture: Religious Humanist Education and Thought in the Gush Emunim Movement

WB7 HELLER 163

ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN RELATIONS

CHAIR:

AS'AD GHANEM

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Rekindling the Dilemma of Arab Labor in the New Borders of the Jewish State, 1967- 1973

YEHUDA (UDI) BLANGA

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"The Logic of the Defeated": The Attempts to Reach an Agreement between Israel and Egypt in 1971

SHEILA KATZ

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A Century of Palestinian-Israeli Joint Nonviolence

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Erasing Borders: The Ottoman Dream of Avi Mograbi.

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ISRAELI GEOGRAPHY AND DEVELOPMENT

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Desert Development Towns and the Central Place Theory

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Walking the Israel National Trail (INT): Political, Sociological and Cultural Aspects

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Ancient Trails, Modern Hikers: Israeli Waymarking in the Sinai Peninsula

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The Impact of Israeli-Palestinian Inter-religious Dialogue: Theoretical and Empirical Perspective

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The Power-Sharing Model and Israel's Arab Minority

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The Arab-Palestinian Minority in Israel: The Municipalities' Crisis

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Is Peace Between Israelis and Palestinians Viable? Analyzing Theories of Peace in International Relations

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SIX DAY WAR IN RETROSPECTIVE: 50 YEARS LATER

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ISRAEL ON THE WORLD STAGE

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Between Two Homelands: Jewish-Argentines' Return Migration from Israel, 1960-2005

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"I Stepped out from a 3.5 Year Long Relationship by Getting on the Plane." Ethnic Returnees or Migrants? The Relationship between the Hungarian Jewry and Israel

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The Privatized Arena of Jewish Conversion and Immigration from Mestizo-America

MARCELA ZOUFALA

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Meaning of Israel in Contemporary Reality and Imagination of Central European Jews: Case of the Czech Republic

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**ANTI-ZIONISM(S) IN AMERICA:
DEFINITIONS AND HISTORICAL
EVOLUTIONS**

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Israelis, Arabs, and the Palestinianization of American Jewish Anti-Zionism

NOAM PIANKO

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"Israel Guidelines" and the Shifting Definition of American "Zionism" and "Anti-Zionism"

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American Anti-Zionism: When Does Criticism of a Jewish State Become a Form of Antisemitism?

HASIA DINER

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Julius Rosenwald's Rejection of Zionism

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**POLITICAL POSSIBILITIES: ISRAELIS AND
PALESTINIANS**

CHAIR:

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SUNIL KUMAR

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The Role of Israel's Labour Party on Palestinian Question Since 1967-1993

PAUL SCHAM, University of Maryland and

THAIR ABU-RAS, University of Maryland

The Joint List After Two Years: Expression of a New Discourse Among Israeli Palestinians?

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Toward a New Genealogy of the Camp in Israel-Palestine

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ZIONIST IMAGININGS AFTER BALFOUR

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"The Jews Survive it!": The Arch of Titus in Zionist Imagination and Ritual: 1882-1947

LINDSAY KATZIR

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Rainbows Built of Bitter Tears: Anglo-Jewish Zionism Before the Balfour Declaration

ELIRAN ZERED

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Deus ex Machina: The Metaphors Underlying Ze'ev Jabotinsky's Conception of the Jewish Nation

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ISRAEL AND NATURAL RESOURCES

CHAIR:

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The Regional Influence of Israel's Water and Energy Resources

GABRIEL MITCHELL

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Israel's Pursuit of Regional Energy Partners: A Historical Review

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Not the Mythological Sabra – Reexamining Hanoch Bartov's Fiction

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The Image of Women in Modern Hebrew Feminist Poetry: A Century of Evolution

MIRIAM NEIGER

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

"The Sinai is Boiling": Avigdor Hameiri and the Balfour Declaration

AYELET GIL-RONEN

Tel Aviv University

The Universal vs. the Local: Lea Goldberg's Writings for Children During the Yishuv Period

WC7 OLIN-SANG 112

RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY IN ISRAELI SOCIETY

CHAIR:

YEHUDAH MIRSKY

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ANDREA GONDOS

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Zionism, Identity and Kabbalah: Decoding the World and Works of Isaiah Tishby

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Jew-Age Among Israeli Celebrities: Jewish Spirituality as Discourse of Citizenship

EPHRAIM TABORY and Rachelly Ashwall, Bar-Ilan University

Like a Bridge Over Troubled Waters: The Impact of Joint Mediation and Study Programs on Secular-Haredi Relations

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JERUSALEM: A MICROCOSM

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Between Local and National Politics: The Jerusalem Municipality, 1948-1955

MARIK SHTERN

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Sharing Colonial Space?: Palestinians and Israelis in the French Hill Neighborhood of Jerusalem

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BETWEEN TEL AVIV AND JAFFA

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University of Haifa

Reconsidering Urbicide: The Case of Jaffa/Tel Aviv

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The Jewish Neighborhoods of Jaffa and the Question of Annexation to Tel Aviv 1940-1944

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TEACHING AND ISRAEL STUDIES

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VIOLENCE AND REVENGE IN ISRAELI LITERATURE

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IMAGINING ZION

CHAIR:

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Man and Nature in Kibbutz Ceremonies: Biblical, Palestinian and German influences

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What was "Kongressdeutsch"? On Language Problems in the Zionist Congress

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THE HOLOCAUST IN ISRAELI SOCIETY

CHAIR:

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"No Borders, No Guarantees"—The Munich Conference as a Threat to Balfour Declaration and the Roots of 'Munich Trauma' in the Zionist Discourse

LEA GANOR

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Israel Defense Forces (IDF) and the Holocaust: What Role Did the Holocaust Play in Educating Israeli Soldiers since the First Palestinian Intifada (1987)?

EYAL LEWIN

Ariel University

Israeli Concept of the Holocaust as a Reflection of a Changing National Ethos

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ISRAEL AND THE WORLD

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Elon University

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Augusta University

Israel's Relations with Anglophone West Africa

CHRISTOPHER SCHILLING

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Rethinking Israel-Taiwan Relations

NAOKI MARUYAMA

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Japan and the Zionist Movement: From the Russo-Japanese War to the Balfour Declaration and its Aftermath

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SOCIOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES ON ISRAELI SOCIETY

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AYA SHOSHAN

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Organizing Dissent in Israel: The Influence of Militarist Culture on Social Protests

DORON TIMOR

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New Elite in the Israeli Student Movement: The Arising of the "Herut" Movement and the Right-Wing on Campuses, 1965-1977

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ISRAEL AND POPULAR CULTURE

CHAIR:

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Taglit-Birthright Israel
Birthright Israel's Education Platform

MICHELLE SHAIN

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Connection to Israel Among Young Adult U.S. Jews: Strength and Fragility

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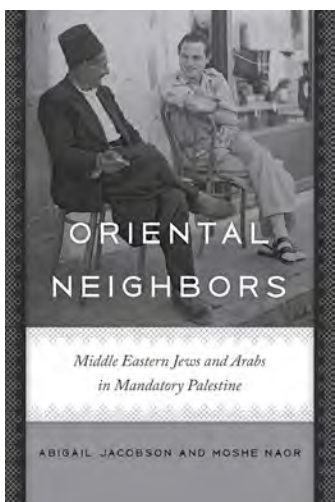
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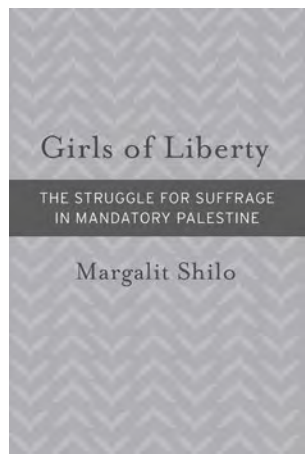


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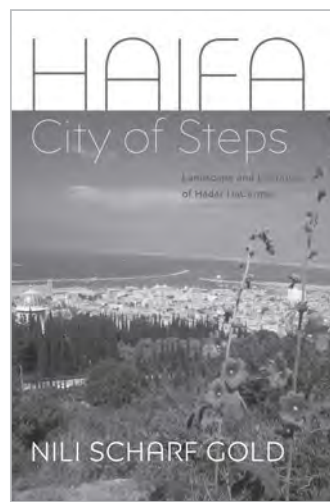


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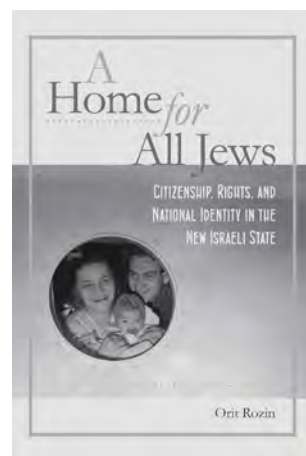


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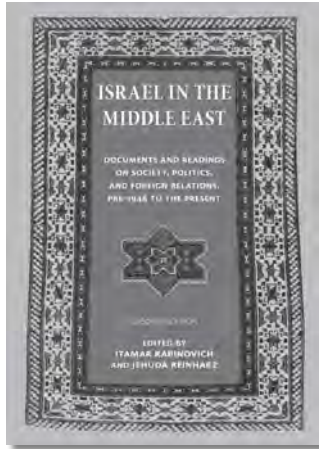
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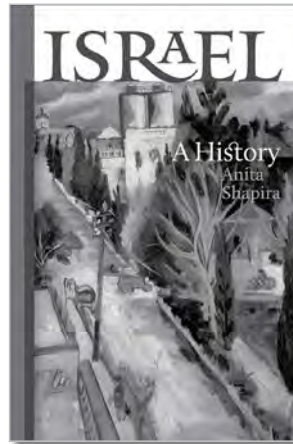
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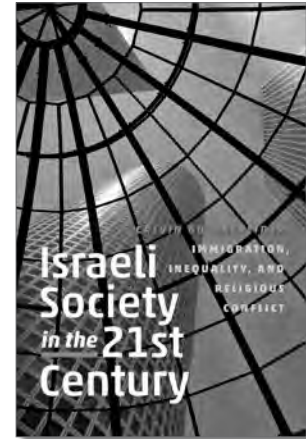
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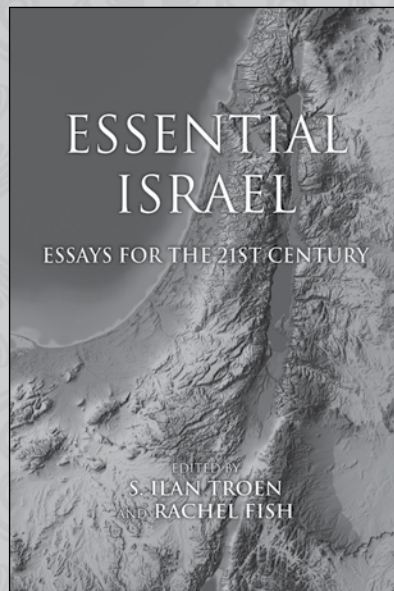
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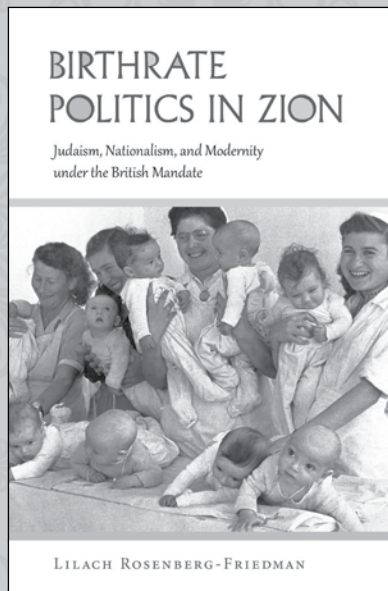
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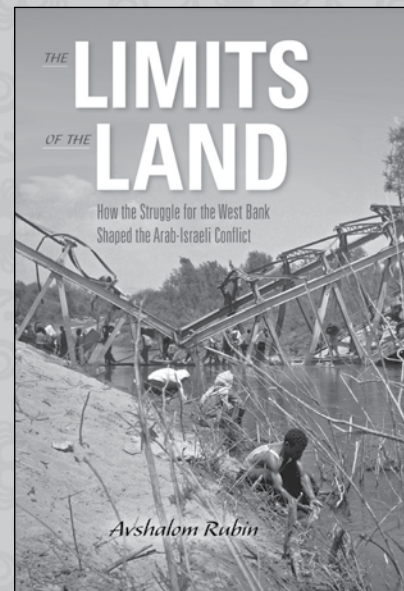
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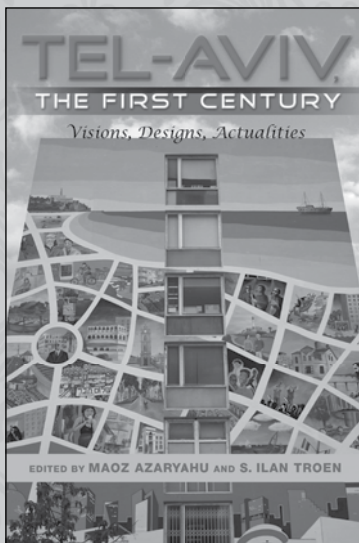
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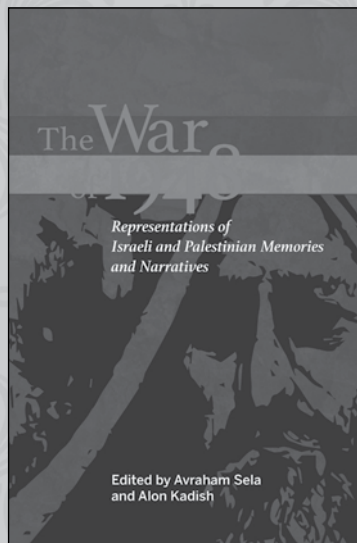
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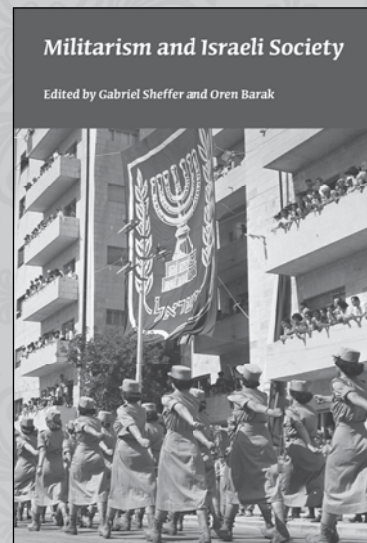
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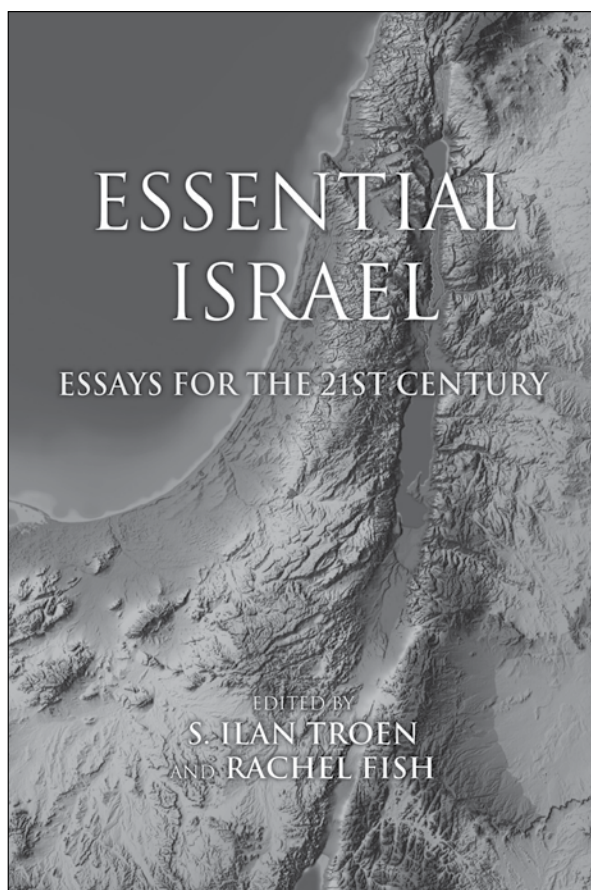
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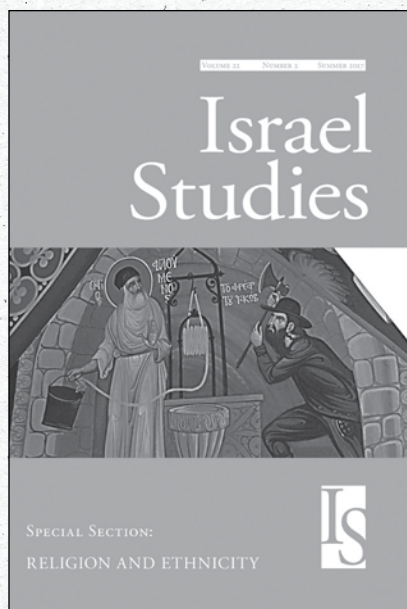


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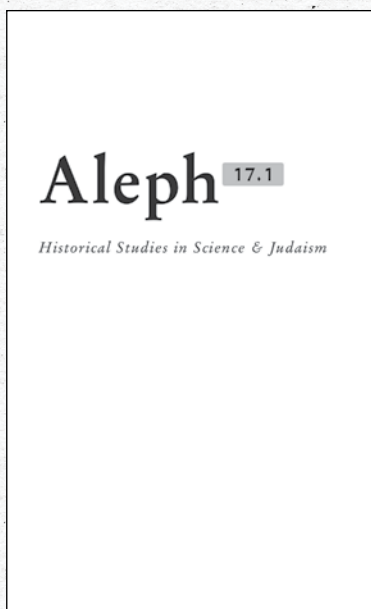


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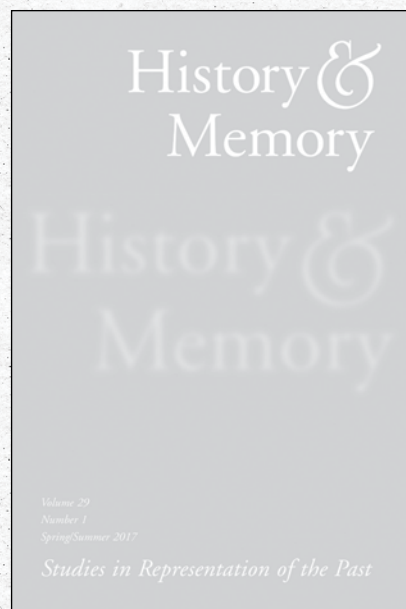
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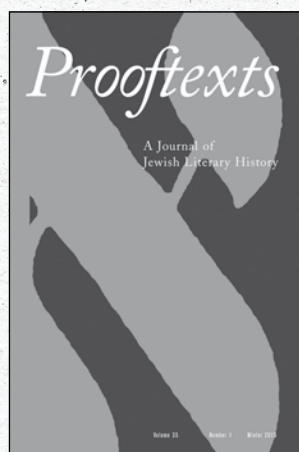
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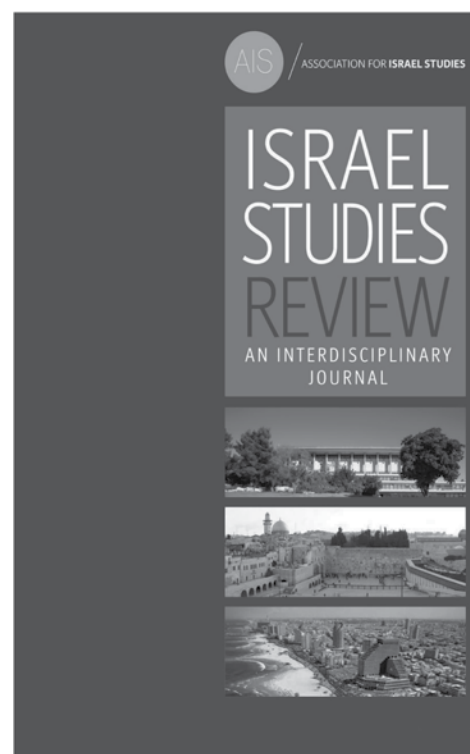
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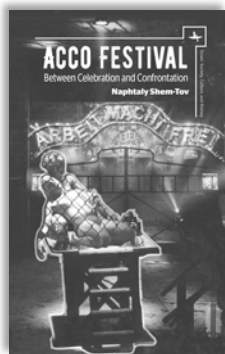
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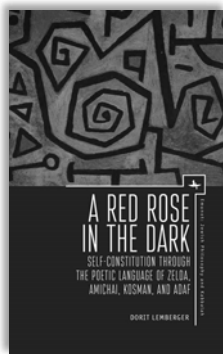
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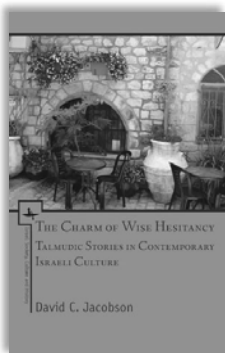
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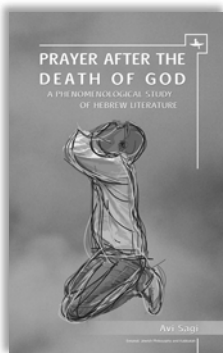
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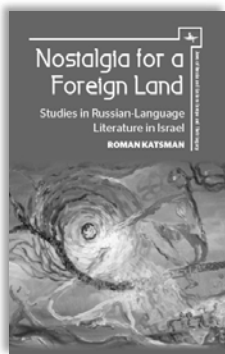
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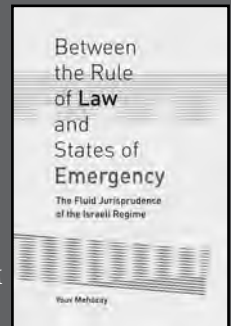
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TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2017					
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8:10 Crowne Plaza and Indigo Hotels	Mandel Center for the Humanities	17:45 following Plenary. Usdan Student Center loop road.	Marriott Newton Indigo Hotels Crowne Plaza	21:15 following Movie. Hassenfeld Conference Center walkway.	Marriott Newton Indigo Hotels Crowne Plaza
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2017					
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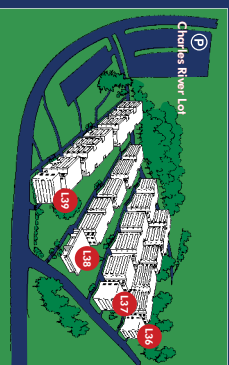
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